

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 13, and ending on page 23, line 2, with the following paragraph:

Figure 16 illustrates certain features of certain alternative embodiments of a stalk switch 140 according to the present invention. In certain alternative embodiments, the pair of magnets 74 and 76 are replaced with a proximal third magnet 774 and a distal third magnet 776, respectively, contained in a pair of plastic plungers 740, having enlarged heads 741, which are positioned in a pair of holes 745 in the rotation assembly 68A, preferably away from its axis of rotation, with their heads 741 contacting the elongated handle stalk 52A. A fourth spring 748 is preferably placed around the body of each of the plungers 740 and between the heads 741 and the rotation assembly 68A, so that the heads 741 are biased away from the rotation assembly 68A. Rotation assembly 68A also contains a fourth magnet 760, preferably positioned far from its axis of rotation and about half-way between the pair of magnets 774 and 776 along the perimeter of the rotation assembly 68A.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-25.

Please amend claims 26 and 28 as follows:

26. A multi-function stalk switch comprising:

a first rotary switch module having a first surface;

a rotary switch support member having a second surface;

at least one first detent formed on one of said first and second surfaces;

a first detent washer shaped to engage said at least one first detent, and having an angular position fixed relative to one of the first rotary switch module and the rotary switch support member;

a first spring positioned to bias said first detent washer against said at least one first detent;

a second rotary switch module having a third surface;

wherein the rotary switch support member also has a fourth surface;

at least one second detent formed on one of said third and fourth surfaces;

a second detent washer shaped to engage said at least one second detent, and having an angular position fixed relative to one of the second rotary switch module and the rotary switch support member;

a second spring positioned to bias said second detent washer against said at least one second detent.

28. The multi-function stalk switch of claim 26, further comprising:

a handle stalk having a proximal end and a distal end, said proximal end being operatively coupled to said rotary switch support member;

a plunger coupled to said stalk distal end such that said plunger may move linearly with respect to said stalk distal end, said plunger being biased in said distal direction;

a rotational receptacle coupled to said handle stalk such that said handle stalk may pivot in at least one plane; and